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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB15 by Miller, Sid (Relating to informed consent to an abortion.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to modify informational materials required by Section 171.014, Health and Safety Code. The Office of the Attorney General would be required to develop a publication providing information about paternity establishment and child support. DSHS would be required to receive notification from abortion providers, in the case of procedures performed due to medical emergency, of the specific medical condition constituting the emergency. DSHS would be required to inspect abortion facilities at random, unannounced, and reasonable times as necessary to ensure compliance with Chapter 245, Health and Safety Code and Subchapter B, Chapter 171, Health and Safety Code as amended by the bill; the department is currently authorized to conduct inspections to ensure compliance with Chapter 245, Health and Safety Code. The bill would require the Texas Medical Board to take disciplinary action against a physician who violates Section 170.002 or Chapter 171, Health and Safety Code; the board would be required to refuse to admit to examination or refuse to issue a license or renewal license to a person who violates the specified section or chapter. It is assumed that any cost to implement the provisions of the bill would be minimal and could be absorbed within available resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 503 Texas Medical Board

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